IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Timo Hillebrand, et al.

Application Serial No. : 10/534,387

Filing Date : November 22, 2005

Title : Novel Buffer Formulations for

Isolating, Purifying and Recovering

Long-Chain and Short-Chain

Nucleic Acids

Confirmation No. : 2884

Group Art Unit : 1637

Examiner : Mark Staples

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the final Office Action mailed on November 20, 2008. This paper is filed within two (2) months of the mailing of that final Office Action. Therefore, an Advisory Action is requested. It is believed that no extension is necessary to make this response timely. If an extension is necessary, kindly grant one and deduct the fee for same from Deposit Account No. 02-4800 in the name of Buchanan Ingersoll PC. Reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims are respectfully requested.

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Remarks begin on page 3.